IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA

IN THE MATTER OF EARLY)	ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
CHANGES OF PLEA)	No. 2005-036
)	

Whereas, early changes of pleas in criminal cases relieve the criminal calendar of heavy congestion, and

Whereas, the Court is conducting management conferences 35 days after arraignment in indicted cases and encourages early changes of plea in appropriate indictment cases.

IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. In criminal cases proceeding by way of indictment, if a change of plea is entered by a defendant prior to or on 35 days after the date of arraignment, the Court will honor a stipulation between the defendant and the State of Arizona requesting a particular judge to be assigned for sentencing on that case.
- 2. In criminal cases proceeding by way of indictment, a judicial officer taking a change of plea entered by a defendant prior to or on 35 days after the date of arraignment, shall set sentencing before the judge stipulated to for sentencing between the defendant and the State of Arizona. If there is no stipulation, the case may be set for sentencing before the assigned judge or, by consent of the parties, the judicial officer who accepted the change of plea.

Dated this 1st day of March, 2005.

Hon. Colin F. Campbell
Presiding Judge

Original: Clerk of the Superior Court

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All Criminal Judges and Commissioners Hon. Andrew Thomas, County Attorney

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